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COIN SHOW

Grinnell Coin Club newly elected officers are - George Fowler, President; Roger Sears, Vice-President; Elizabeth Bradley, Secretary; and Dennis Anderson, Treasurer ...

Clarion Coin Club reports their membership has doubled in the last month, with about 44 paid-up members. (Great! What's your secret?) Officers elected for 1975 are - President - Don Watts, Vice- President and President-elect for 1976 -Hermie Nelson, Secretary- Bill Houser, Assistant Secretary- Wayne Ebert, Treasurer- Don Gardner, and Assistant Treasurer - Jim Judson. Directors for 1975 are Harry Peters, Floyd Willey and Bob Joslin. ****

Des Moines Coin Club met March 4 with 27 members present. Vice-President Don Proudfit gave a talk on tokens. Three new Junior members were we; comed- Steve Vasquez, and Sharon and Roger Patrick. It was reported Wray McDonald was hospitalized following a fall at his home. The Club voted to nominate Virgil Hancock for President of the ANA. The meeting concluded with a 45 lot auction. ****

The 12th annual Mid=Iowa Coin-a-Rama was held in Perry on March 1-2, at the National Guard Armory. The Show attracted an estimated 800 people, with door prizes being given each hour. Special prizes of a Churchill Crown, Coronation Crown, Canadian Dollar, McArthur Commemorative Set and various Proof sets were won by visitors from Jefferson, Madrid, Waverly, State Center, Omaha and Perry. The bourse featured 46 dealers, with Ed Baer of Perry as Chairman. The Coin-a-Rama is sponsored each year by four Mid-Iowa Coin Clubs - Grand Junction, Perry, Boone and Ames. Harold Osterman of Grand Junction was General Chairman, L.L.Owen of Adel was Exhibit Chairman and registered 31 exhibits for competition, in seven categories. Best of Show Award went to Marjorie Owen of Adel and Dr. John Tilton of Bellevue won the INA Best of Show Trophy. Other prize winners included-Junior Division-Brooke Samuelson of Jewell, Jacqueline Wildfang of Des Moines, and Mark Milliman, Des Moines; US Coins-Dr. Tilton, Robert Douglas of Cedar Rapids, and Jim Small of Moline, Ill.; US Currency-Marjorie Owen, Mike Scacci of Ottumwa and L.L.Owen of Adel; Foreign-Robert Douglas, John Kelso of Cedar Rapids, and Richard Hoidahl of Des Moines; US Gold-Marjorie Owen and Don Mark of Adel; Tokens and Medals-John Kelso, Eugene Morris of Forest City and Rich Hoidahl; Checks - Eugene Morris and Larry Adams of Boone.

The interim Board meeting of the INA was held in conjunction with the Coin-a-Rama at Perry, March 1. L. L. Owen presented the Club with a check for \$402.43, as the INA share of profits from last year's State Convention in Des Moines. Plans for the up-coming 1975 State Show were discussed. John Kelso reports a tentative site - the IBEW Hall in Cedar Rapids. It was decided the show should close at 8 PM on Saturday for the General membership meeting. Special projects for the '76 Show were advanced, including a special INA trophy and a possible medal. Bob Douglas is in charge of tickets for door prizes.

Forest City Coin Club held its annual Show, March 15 and 16, at the City Auditorium. Twenty-one dealers in coins and antiques comprised the bourse area. A lively auction featuring 50 lots was held on Saturday night. Many interesting exhibits, filling all available space, were on display. Eugene Morris won the Best of Show award with his fine collection of Iowa Trade Tokens. *****

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CLUB MEETING NIGHTS AROUND THE STATE

ILLOWA COIN CLUB -CLINTON- 2nd Thurs. IOOF Bldg. Roosevelt St. N. Clinton CENTRAL JOWA COIN CLUB-MARSHALLTOWN-3rd Wed-Fisher Community Bldg. GRINNELL COIN CLUB - 2nd Monday - American Legion Bldg.

AMES - last Wed. - Ramada Inn - 7:30 CLARINDA - 3rd.Wed.-Community Center - 7:30 PM

DAVENPORT - 2nd Tues-Northwest Turner Hall-1602 Washington-7:30 CLARION -3rd Fri-7 PM(Mar. thru Aug.) Ia. Public Serv. Comm. Room TRI-COUNTY-PERRY- 4th Tues. - 1st National Bank Bldg. WEBSTER CITY- 1st Wed. at the Municipal Bldg.-7:30 DONNELLSON- 2nd Fri. - Farm Bureau basement MASON CITY-3rd Non- Pioneer Federal Davings and Loan MT.PLEASANT-1st Thurs, in large conference room of M.H.I. TRI-CITIES, MOLINE, ILL, 3rd Thurs. -Viking Club, 1514 4th Ave. CEDAR RAPIDS - 2nd Wed-First Trust and Savings, 18th St.. MARION- 1st Tues, -Farmer's State Bank KEOKUK-4th Thurs-Washington Central Gym -115 N.9th St. BURLINGTON-last Tues, Perkin's School-1612 Dodge -7:30
FORT MADISON - 3rd Wed.-Lee County Bank 3ldg.
INDEPENDENCE- 3rd Sat.-Courthouse basement
PORT CITY-MUSCATINE - 4th Tuesday - YMCA OTTUMWA - 4th Tues .- Labor Hall on North Green St. OSKALOOSA- 1st Mon. -Oskaloosa Home Loan and Savings FOREST CITY- 2nd Tues, at the IOOF Hall WATERLOO- 2nd Thurs .- Waterloo Recreation Center CEDAR FALLS- last Wed .- Cedar Falls Municipal Utilities Bldg. NEWTON- every 3rd Tues.-basement of shopping center CARROLL COUNTY- 1st Mon.-Farm Bureau Bldg.-7:30 SIOUXLAND- 2nd Thurs.-Elks Lodge, 722 Douglas-Sioux City DES MOINES -1st Tues .- Mott Auditorium, YMCA- 101 Locust St.

(If your club is not listed, have your Secretary send the information to the Editor.)

CLUB NEWS FROM OUR AREA

Keokuk Coin Club announces 1975 election results as follows - Ward Kain, President; Helen Wallace, Vice-President; Lee Marsh, Treasurer; Alfred Rickert, Secretary; and Directors - Raymond Morrow, H.A. Smith, Robert Younkin, Melvin Baum, Tom Sinnott, and Robert Ruhs. Club Historian is to be appointed. The 1975 Keokuk Hobby Show will be held May 17 and 18. Additional information may be obtained from any Club officer.

Siouxland Coin Collectors met February 13th for the election of the following officers - Loren Peterson, President; Frank Osdoba, Vice-President; Ralph Tritz, Treasurer; and Lois Mitchell, Secretary. Also Donald Etzel, Historian; Earl W. Martin, Program Chairman; Harlow Graham, Ass't.Treasurer; John Anderson and June Vopat, Program Vice-Chairmen.

Davenport Coin Club reports their new officers for 1975. President-Sam Kick; Vice-President - Les Schroeder; Treasurer - Bert Shipley; and Secretary - Jack Pohl.

COMING EVENTS

April 5 - 7:30 PM Mt. Pleasant Spring Coin Auction High School Auditorium - 307 E. Monroe

April 13 - Marion Collectors Fair IBEW Hall - Cedar Rapids Captain Jack Feild, 331 7th Ave., Marion, Iowa 52302

April 5 and 6
Mason City - K.C. Hall --Highway 18 West

April 19 and 20 = Southeastern Iowa Coin and Hobby Show St. Mary's School, 610 N..12th, Oskaloosa Bourse Chairman - Gail McKee

April 20th - Waterloo Coin Club -13th annual Show Waterloo Recreation Center General Chairman - Glenn E. Smith, 2324 Falls Ave. Waterloo 50700 *******

April 20th - Fort Madison Spring Auction Lee County Savings Bank

April 27 - Independence, Iowa Wapsie Coin Club 12th Annual Show - American Legion Hall Box 185, Independence, Iowa, 50644 *****

April 27 - Port City Coin Club YWCA - 309 Sycamore, Muscatine Chairman - Edmond "Tiny" Metz - 263-8117

April 25-26-27 Central States Numismatic Society Muehlbach Hotel - Kansas City, Missouri

May 3 Ottumwa Coin Club Show YWCA - 133 W..2nd St. - Ottumwa

May 4 - Denison, Iowa West Central Iowa Collectors Club National Guard Armory - Highway 30 East Warren Olson, Denison

May 4 - Spring Coin Show Illowa Coin Club of Clinton Moose Hall - Route 30 West

May 11 - Central Iowa Coin Club Ramada Inn - Marshalltown Herb Brown - PO Box 75 - Marshalltown, 50158

May 17 and 18 - Keokuk Spring Hobby Show Keosippi Shopping Mall Keokuk Coin Club - PO Box 172 - Keokuk 52632

May 25 - Siouxland Coin Collectors Association Sioux City Auditorium, Sioux City Loren Peterson, Chairman

Sept. 7 - Tri-Cities Coin Club Annual Show Le Claire Hotel Moline, Ill.

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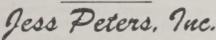
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Estherville announces the minting of a commemorative medal for their 7th annual Estherville Winter Sports Festival. The plan is to run a series of the medals in the coming years. The piece sells for \$1, plus 25% for mailing and handling costs. Estherville Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 626, Estherville, Iowa 51334

The Heart of America Numismatic Association of Kansas City, Missouri will host the 36th annual convention of the Central States Numismatic Society at the Hotel Muehlbach, in Kansas City, on April 25-26-27. The Convention will be preceded by PNG (Professional Numismatic Guild) Day, on Thursday. Chairman of the Convention is Ray 0. Lefman. The event will feature a 175 dealer bourse and a three session auction by HARCOA of Chicago.

Special attractions include an exhibit by Paramount International of the MILLION DOLLAR COIN, plus exhibits by the Franklin Mint, Medallic Arts and the Heritage Mint.

Editorial note ---

Many thanks to the clubs and secretaries who took the time to send notes regarding meeting nights. This is one of the main purposes of the bulletin and it is regrettable if the meeting time or place is in error. Also, I'm sure we have several wrong addresses in our mailing list -- the only way it can be corrected is to hear from you. This applies as well to club addresses. Perhaps, the bulletin is going to an obsolete address and not getting to your club secretary at all. Again, I would like to urge clubs to send reports of their meetings. Let us share in your activities and ideas. I'll take this opportunity to thank Paul Lyons of Burlington for his

helpful letter. After begging for material for the bulletin, it was a big morale boost to receive some new "grist" for my mill. Hopefully, we will be able to include some of his materialin and early is-sue. Spring is always a busy time in the hobby, as witnessed by the

long listing of up-coning shows,

(Reprinted in part from the Numismatist, March 1975)

Guidelines for the 51st Coin Week celebration are now available from ANA headquarters. Through the cooperation of numismatists from across the country, April 20th through the 26th promises to be the biggest week of the year for numismatics. Once again, clubs and individuals are asked to prepare reports of their activities. Those who have pro-Moted National Coin Week in a superior and exceedingly original manner and have also exposed the most non-collectors to the hobby, will receive special recognition from the ANA. Sponsors of new members will also be recognized this year with a special certificate. Last year's membership drive was a huge success, addding more than 1800 new members. The NCW committee reminds participants that the original purpose of National Coin Week was to educate the general public about the organized numismatic hobby. Further suggestions include expanding club meetings, talks, and displays. Most banks and other public buildings are available for setting up exhibits, and, in fact, usually welcome such events. Many local newspapers would be glad to help publicize the event. Many people are not aware of the far-reaching impact of the story of money and this is the numismatist's opportunity to spread the word.

ANA membership applications, fliers, and other promotional materials are available from ANA headquarters. Send your name and address to National Coin Week, American Numismatic Association, Box 2366, Colo-

rado Springs, Colorado 80901.

In these days of inflation, one of the things that interests many coin collectors, investors and dealers alike, is the silver market. Being a coin collector, I am referring especially to silver coins.

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Playing the silver market is probably one of the most dangerous things a small dealer or collector with limited capital can do. If the market has a big drop for several days in a row, he may find him-

self locked in, with a big loss for several weeks or months.

The person most apt to come out with a profit in silver is the dealer with a large amount of capital who can ride out the drop in the silver market and wait until it comes back, or the collector or investor who buys smaller amounts, lets it accumulate, and then, when he can get a good price for it, sells it for a profit.

As for the future, nobody knows for sure, but there are still several factors that point to the fact that silver coins will be good

property ;

#1 - Many are being melted.

#2 - More silver is being consumed in industry, etc. than is being mined today.

#3 - The quality and quantity of the coins still available is constantly going down, due to circulation, fire, flood loss, etc.

Referring again to the small collector, who can keep the coins for several years, or for his collection, I have observed several collectors buying silver dollars at the monthly club auctions. At times, they were paying more than the going rate for these coins. When common date silver dollars were selling for about \$2-\$2.50, they would pay as high as \$3-\$3.50 for them; yet today, with even the common dates bringing \$4 and more, they are still ahead. Occasionally, they would get a good buy too, and, taking everything into

consideration, today they are way ahead even in this type of buying. So - here's to the small collector who keeps in there pitching. The law of averages is with him and, over the years, he should come

out ahead.

The following is a sample of the "goodies" sent me by Paul Lyons....

DO YOU JUST BELONG? _ (author unknown)

Are you an active member, the kind that would be missed? Or are you just contented that your name is on the list?

Do you attend the meetings and mingle with the flock?

Or do you stay at home and criticize and knock? Do you ever go to visit

a member who is sick
Or leave the work to just a few
and talk about a "clique"?

There's quite a program scheduled that I'm sure you've heard about

And we will all appreciate it

if you will come and help us out.

So come to the meetings often and help with hand and heart.

Don't be just a member, dig in, do your part. Think this over, member,

you know right from wrong.

Are you an active member --- or do you just belong?

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The Cedar Rapids Coin Club annual Coin Show was held at the IBEW Hall March 15th and 16th. An estimated 1200 guests from 59 Iowa cities and four states attended the show. Uncirculated Morgan Dollars, Walking Liberty halfs, Franklin halfs, and War Nickel year sets were given on the hour to lucky door prize ticket holders. Thirty exhibits in five catagories were the feature of the show. The INA Best Of Show trophy went to Bob Douglas (C.R.). In US Coins the winners were: Lou Strned (C.R.), Marjorie Owen (Adel), and John Kelso (C.R.). Winners in Tokens-Medals-Foreign were: John Kelso (C.R.), Bob Douglas (C.R.), and Marlene Kelso. In Currency the winners were: Gerald Shepard (C.R.) (1st and 2nd) and L L Owen (Adel). Junior winners were: Layne Samuelson (Jewel), Bob Burns (C.R.), and Brooke Samuelson (Jewel). A new special catagory, "Best Of Previous Best Of Show", was won by L L Owen (Adel). This catagory is designed to bring all top notch exhibits to compete only amongst themselves and to enhance the educational aspect of our hobby. Photos of this unique trophy are shown to the right. The Cedar Rapids club is anxious to hear your opinion of this catagory. Thirtysix tables occupied by thirty dealers from Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, and Colorado comprised the bourse area. Following the show on Saturday, an informal banquet was held for the club members, exhibitors, and dealers. C.R. dealer Joe Marshek's 69th birthday was celebrated with a special birthday cake ..

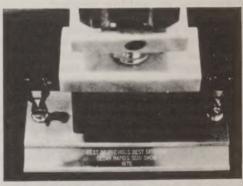
To show how proud the Gedar Rapids club is of their junior members, show chairman Bob Douglas, bourse chairman Jim Hamling, and exhibit chairman Dallas Kaegbein appointed the following junior members as their assistants respectively:

Tom Heath, Ed Schafer, and Mike

Kaegbein. Over 20 other junior members were on hand to assist dealers and exhibitors unload and load after the show.

The Cedar Rapids club has a membership of 96 as of the end of March and has prospects of topping the 100 mark in April. Their average monthly meeting attendance for the last 6 months has ranged from 55 to 60. The club strives for educational programs each month that appeal to both the older and junior members.





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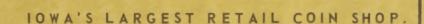
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